

PATENTS
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE //

In re Application of

John C. Harvey and James W. Cuddihy

Examiner:

Serial No.

To be Accorded

Group Unit:

Filed

Herewith

Atty Dkt: 5634.276

For

SIGNAL PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHODS

## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initiating the Examination of the above-described continuation application, Applicants herewith submit the following Preliminary Amendment.

## **IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claim 1 and add the following claim:

July 1

2. A method of processing signals:

inputting a signal and a transmission schedule associated with

said signal, said schedule comprising at least two of:

 $\int_{4}^{3}$ 

(1) a time at which to transmit said signal;

(2) a channel on which to transmit said signal;

6 and